In the Rooms of the Board of Supervisors

County of Inyo, State of California

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, held in their rooms at the Court House in Independence on the 10th day of August, 19 93, an order was duly made and entered as follows:

Southern Inyo Fire Protection District/ Formation

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing at 10:42 a.m. to consider the formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District. One of the Petitioners, Jeff Fredricksen was present and addressed the Board requesting approval of the formation of the Fire District. Mr. Peter Chamberlin, Inyo County Planning Director, reviewed staff recommendations, noting a change in the Resolution language to include a paragraph indicating that CEQA Guidelines had been followed by approving the Negative Declaration. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing at 10:50 a.m.

Resolution #93-52/ So. Inyo Fire Dist.

Moved by Supervisor Payne and seconded by Supervisor Bear to adopt Resolution #93-52 approving the formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District and appointing acting directors. Motion carried unanimously.

ROUTING:
CC X
Purchasing
Personnel
Auditor
CAO
Other PETITIONERS
PLANNING
Date 8-16-93

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Board this 10th day of August, 19 93

C. BRENT WALLACE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By Patricia Gunsally

RESOLUTION NO. 93-52

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF INYO APPROVING THE FORMATION OF THE SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Petitioners Jeff Frederiksen, Eric Inman, and Aldine Wallace have made application for the formation of Southern Inyo Fire Protection District based upon the desire of the Petitioners and other registered voters of the southeastern portion of Inyo County to form a fire protection district for the purpose of providing fire protection services and other services relating to the protection of lives and property; and

WHEREAS, the formation of a fire protection district is provided for pursuant to Section 13800, et. seq., of the California Health and Safety Code (Fire Protection District Law) and by Section 56000 et. seq. of the California Government Code (Cortese-Knox Local Government Reorganization Act); and

WHEREAS, the area to be formed into the district consists of approximately 1,300 square miles the boundaries of which encompass the area east of the Death Valley National Monument boundary; west of the California-Nevada State Line; and north of the Inyo County-San Bernardino County Line; and south of the California-Nevada State Line at the Death Valley National Monument boundary; and

WHEREAS, the registered voters within the proposed boundaries of the district have circulated a petition conforming to the requirements of Health and Safety Code section 13816 (the "Formation Petition"), obtained signatures from 68.7% of the registered voters, and filed the Formation Petition in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 13819, and a Certificate of Sufficiency is on file with the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission; and

WHEREAS, an Initial Study was prepared on the formation of the district and it was found that it will not have a significant environmental effect, and accordingly, a Negative Declaration was prepared on the formation of the district pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and adopted by the Inyo County Local Agency Formation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Inyo County Local Agency Formation Commission after conducting a noticed hearing on September 1, 1992, on the Formation Petition, and after receiving no protests, approved the formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, Petitioners for the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District requested reconsideration of the Local Agency Formation Commission's determination of property tax allocation as being no such taxes to be allocated, and first asserting that the procedure should involve the Inyo County Board of Supervisors and subsequently recognizing the Commission's sole authority to make such determination pursuant to Government Code Section 56842; and

WHEREAS, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors as the conducting authority for the district to be formed held a public hearing on April 22, 1993 and referred the district formation back to the Local Agency Formation Commission for a final determination on allocation of property taxes in accordance with Government Code Section 56842, as requested by Petitioners; and

WHEREAS, at a public hearing held on August 3, 1993, the Local Agency Formation Commission made a final determination on Petitioner's request for reconsideration of its property tax allocation determination, which determination is set forth in Local Agency Formation Commission Resolution No. 93-1; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in said Resolution, pursuant to Section 56842 (c) (2) of Government Code, the Local Agency Formation Commission found and determined the "total net cost" funded by all affected agencies to provide the services proposed by the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District to be zero; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in said Resolution, pursuant to Section 56842 (c) (3) of Government Code, the Local Agency Formation Commission found and determined the amount of property tax revenue to be adjusted by the Inyo County Auditor/Controller to be zero; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in said Resolution, the Local Agency Formation Commission also established an appropriations limit for the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District in accordance with Article XIII B of the California Constitution (Section 56842.5 of Government Code) at one million dollars ($1,000,000); and

WHEREAS, as set forth in said Resolution, the Local Agency Formation Commission ratified, confirmed and approved its Resolution 92-3 making determinations and approving the application for the formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, the county assessment roll will not be utilized; and

WHEREAS, the proposed district will not be taxed for existing general bonded indebtedness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 13829 of the Health and Safety Code, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District and declares the district to be duly organized under the Fire Protection District Law for the purposes as provided for in Section 13862 of the Health and Safety Code within and consisting of the geographic area described in "Exhibit A," which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies, confirms, and approves the Negative Declaration adopted by the Local Agency Formation Commission which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated by this reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as provided in Health and Safety Code section 13823.5, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors finds that the Formation Petition filed pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 13819 has been signed by not less than 51 percent of the registered voters residing within the territory to be included within the proposed district, and therefore, the Board hereby dispenses with, and orders the district formed without, an election;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 13835, the Board of Directors of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District shall be appointed by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order for the newly formed district to be able to conduct business prior to the appointment of Directors pursuant to the application procedures in Government Code section 54974, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints the following persons to serve as acting Directors until permanent appointments are made and become effective in accordance with section 54974:

1. Brian W. Brown
2. Susan Sorrells
3. Cynthia L. Guptill
4. Eric E. Inman
5. Margaret Schwaab;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and instructed to advertise and solicit appointment applications and to present applications received in response to the Board of Supervisors at its next regular meeting after the close of the application period for action by the Board of Supervisors to appoint the permanent members of the District Board of Directors;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed and ordered to transmit two certified copies of this Resolution to the LAFCO Executive Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LAFCO Executive Officer is hereby requested to prepare a certificate of completion in accordance with Government Code section 57201 and file it together with the certified copy of this resolution, with the Inyo County Recorder, requesting that the Recorder record the documents immediately and transmit for filing to the Secretary of State a certified copy of the Resolution to the extent required by Health and Safety Code section 13830, in accordance with procedures for completing the formation of the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors acknowledges that the effective date of the formation of the district shall be the date in which the certificate of completion is recorded by the Inyo County Recorder pursuant to Government Code Sections 57007 and 57202(c).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of August, 1993, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor Arcularius, Bear, Dean, Gracey and Payne

NOES: -0-

ABSENT: -0-

ABSTAINED:

Sam Dean

Sam Dean, Chairman
Inyo County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: C. BRENT WALLACE,
Clerk of the Board

By: Patricia Gunsolley
Patricia Gunsolley
Deputy

EXHIBIT "A"

RESOLUTION NO. 92-___

LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR PROPOSED SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Beginning at a point being the intersection of Inyo-San Bernardino County Line with the California-Nevada State Line, said point being the true point of beginning; thence northwest along the state line to the northwest corner of Sec. 30, T.28N., R.4E., S.B.M.; thence south along the west boundary of R.4E., S.B.B.&M. to the southwest corner Sec. 6, T.26N., R.4E., S.B.B.&M.; thence west to the northwest corner Sec. 8, T.26N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south to the southwest corner Sec. 32, T.26N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M.; thence west to the northwest corner Sec. 5, T.25N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south to a point being the intersection of the west line of Sec. 17, T.25N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M. and the northeast edge of Dantes View Road; thence southeast along the northerly edge of Dantes View Road to the south line of Sec. 17; thence east along the south line of said Sec. 17, T.25N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M. to the southeast corner of Sec. 16, T.25N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south to the southwest corner Sec. 34, T.24N., R.3E., S.B.B.&M.; thence east to the northwest corner Sec. 6, T.23N., R.4E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south along the west boundary of R.4E., S.B.B.&M. to the southwest corner Sec. 30, T.22N., R.4E., S.B.B.&M.; thence east to the northwest corner of Sec. 31, T.22N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south to the southwest corner of Sec. 31, T.21N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M.; thence west to the northwest corner Sec. 6, T.20N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south to the southwest corner Sec. 19, T.20N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M.; thence east to the center 1/4 corner of Sec. 29, T.20N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M.; thence south along the center of Sec. 29 & 32, T.20N., R.5E., S.B.B.&M. to a point on the Inyo-San Bernardino County Line; thence east along said county line to a point on the east line of Sec. 25, T.20N., R.11E., S.B.B.&M.; thence north to the southwest corner of Sec. 31, T.20N., R.12E., S.B.B.&M.; thence east to the true point of beginning, all in the County of Inyo, State of California.

E X H I B I T "B"

SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FORMATION - 1992

INITIAL STUDY AND EVALUATION OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS

This document, and all material related to the application of district formation are herein incorporated by reference, shall constitute the Initial Study pursuant to Section 15063 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1. APPLICANT: Eric Inman
Chief Petitioner

2. ADDRESS AND PHONE: P.O. Box 186
Tecopa, CA 92389
619-852-4259

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT AND AREA OF POTENTIAL IMPACT:

1. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

The proposed project involves the formation of a Fire Protection District pursuant to Section 13800, et. seq., of the California Health and Safety Code (Fire Protection District Law of 1987).

At present, the project area is provided fire protection services by the Tecopa-Shoshone Volunteer Fire Department which is solely a volunteer organization. In addition, fire protection services are provided by the Bureau of Land Management in Baker, CA (40 miles to the south) and the Pahrump Fire Department in Nevada (25 miles to the east). However, there are no "mutual aid agreements" since the Tecopa-Shoshone Volunteer Fire Department is not a formal organization.

The proposed project will create the "Southern Inyo Fire Protection District" which will formalize fire suppression and pre-suppression services and will take over the administration and services of the Tecopa-Shoshone Volunteer Fire Department which has existed since 1973.

In addition, it is proposed to establish a Sphere of Influence for the new district pursuant to Section 56425, et. seq., of the California Government Code. The Sphere of Influence is the plan for the probable ultimate physical boundaries of the proposed District. In this case, the Sphere of Influence will coincide with the proposed boundaries of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

2. AREA WHICH MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROJECT:

The boundaries of the proposed Southern Inyo Fire Protection District extend from the eastern boundary of Death Valley National Monument eastward to the California-Nevada Border and southward to the Inyo-San Bernardino County Line. The proposed district is triangular in shape and contains approximately 1,300 square miles. The vast majority of the lands within the proposed district is under the ownership of the Bureau of Land Management who will still retain jurisdiction for rangeland/wildland fires.

III. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

The following is an environmental impact assessment checklist which provides the reviewer a summary of the environmental impacts which may occur from the proposed project. Following the environmental impact assessment checklist is a written discussion of all the environmental categories and possible mitigation measures to eliminate or reduce the impacts.

SOUTH AN [illegible] FIRE [illegible] DISTRICT

DISTRICT [illegible] FORMATION
[illegible]

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

VIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. *(Explain all "yes" and "maybe" answers)*

	Yes	Maybe	No
A. *Earth.* Will the proposal result in:			
1. Unstable earth conditions or changes in geologic substructures?	☐	☐	☒
2. Disruptions, displacements, compaction, or overcovering of the soil?	☐	☐	☒
3. Change in topography or ground surface relief features?	☐	☐	☒
4. The destruction, covering, or modification of any unique geologic or physical features?	☐	☐	☒
5. Any increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site?	☐	☐	☒
6. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sands, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion which may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of the ocean or any bay, inlet, or lake?	☐	☐	☒
7. Exposure of all people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, ground failure or similar hazards?	☐	☐	☒
B. *Air.* Will the proposal result in:			
1. Substantial air emmissions or deterioration of ambient air quality?	☐	☐	☒
2. The creation of objectionable odors?	☐	☐	☒
3. Alteration of air movement, moisture or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally?	☐	☐	☒
C. *Water.* Will the proposal result in:			
1. Changes in the currents, or the course or direction of water movements, in either marine or fresh waters?	☐	☐	☒
2. Changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface water runoff?	☐	☐	☒
3. Alterations to the course or flow of flood waters?	☐	☐	☒
4. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body?	☐	☐	☒
5. Discharge into surface waters, or in any alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity?	☐	☐	☒
6. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of ground waters?	☐	☐	☒
7. Change in the quantity of ground waters, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations?	☐	☐	☒
8. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies?	☐	☐	☒
9. Exposure of people or property to water-related hazards such as flooding or tidal waves?	☐	☐	☒
10. Significant changes in the temperature, flow or chemical content of surface thermal springs?	☐	☐	☒
D. *Plant Life.* Will the proposal result in:			
1. Change in the diversity of species, or number of any species of plants (including trees, shrubs, grass, crops, and aquatic plants)?	☐	☐	☒
2. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of plants?	☐	☐	☒
3. Introduction of new species of plants into an area, or in a barrier to the normal replenishment of existing species?	☐	☐	☒
4. Reduction in acreage of any agricultural crop?	☐	☐	☒

	Yes	Maybe	No
3. *Animal Life.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or numbers of any species of animals (birds, land animals including reptiles, fish and shellfish, benthic organisms, or insects)?	☐	☐	☒
b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of animals?	☐	☐	☒
c. Introduction of new species of animals into an area, or result in a barrier to the migration or movement of animals?	☐	☐	☒
d. Deterioration to existing fish or wildlife habitat?	☐	☐	☒
4. *Noise.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in existing noise levels?	☐	☐	☒
b. Exposure of people to severe noise levels?	☐	☐	☒
5. *Light and Glare.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. The production of new light or glare?	☐	☐	☒
6. *Land Use.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. A substantial alteration of the present or planned land use of an area?	☐	☐	☒
7. *Natural Resources.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in the rate of use of any natural resources?	☐	☐	☒
b. Substantial depletion of any nonrenewable resources?	☐	☐	☒
8. *Risk of Upset.* Does the proposal result in:			
a. A risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (including, but not limited to, oil, pesticides, chemicals, or radiation) in the event of an accident or upset conditions?	☐	☐	☒
b. Possible interference with emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan?	☐	☐	☒
9. *Population.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. The alteration, distribution, density, or growth rate of the human population of the area?	☐	☐	☒
10. *Housing.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. Affecting existing housing, or create a demand for additional housing?	☐	☐	☒
11. *Transportation/Circulation.* Will the proposal result in:			
a. Generation of substantial additional vehicular movement?	☐	☐	☒
b. Affecting existing parking facilities, or create a demand for new parking?	☐	☐	☒
c. Substantial impact upon existing transportation systems?	☐	☐	☒
d. Alterations to present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods?	☐	☐	☒
e. Alterations to waterborne, rail, or air traffic?	☐	☐	☒
f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists, or pedestrians?	☐	☐	☒
12. *Public Services.* Will the proposal have an effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services in any of the following areas:			
a. Fire protection?	☒	☐	☐
b. Police protection?	☐	☐	☒
c. Schools?	☐	☐	☒
d. Parks and other recreational facilities?	☐	☐	☒
e. Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?	☐	☐	☒
f. Other governmental services?	☐	☐	☒

	Yes	Maybe	No
...ergy. Will the proposal result (			
...e of substantial amounts of fuel or energy?	☐	☐	☒
... Substantial increase in demand upon existing sources of energy, or require the development of new sources?	☐	☐	☒
...ilities. Will the proposal result in a need for new systems, or substantial alterations to the following utilities:			
... ...er or natural gas?	☐	☐	☒
... Communication systems?	☐	☐	☒
... Water?	☐	☐	☒
... Sewer or septic tanks?	☐	☐	☒
... Storm water drainage?	☐	☐	☒
... Solid waste and disposal?	☐	☐	☒
G. *Human Health.* Will the proposal result in:			
... Creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard (excluding mental health)?	☐	☐	☒
... Exposure of people to potential health hazards?	☐	☐	☒
H. *Aesthetics.* Will the proposal result in:			
... The obstruction of any scenic vista or view open to the public, or will the proposal result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?	☐	☐	☒
I. *Recreation.* Will the proposal result in:			
1. An impact upon the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities?	☐	☐	☒
J. *Cultural Resources.*			
1. Will the proposal result in the alteration of or the destruction of a prehistoric or historic archeological site?	☐	☐	☒
2. Will the proposal result in adverse physical or aesthetic effects to a prehistoric or historic building, structure, or object?	☐	☐	☒
3. Does the proposal have the potential to cause a physical change which would affect unique ethnic cultural values?	☐	☐	☒
... Will the proposal restrict existing religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area?	☐	☐	☒
K. *Mandatory Findings of Significance.*			
... Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	☐	☐	☒
... Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals?	☐	☐	☒
... Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?	☐	☐	☒
... Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	☐	☐	☒

DISCUSSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION

A. **THE PROJECT DOES NOT HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR ANY ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

1. EARTH; AIR; WATER; PLANT LIFE; ANIMAL LIFE; NOISE; LIGHT AND GLARE; LAND USE; NATURAL RESOURCES; RISK OF UPSET; POPULATION; HOUSING; TRANSPORTATION/CIRCULATION; PUBLIC SPECIES; ENERGY; UTILITIES; HUMAN HEALTH; AESTHETICS; RECREATION; AND CULTURAL RESOURCES.

The proposed formation of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District will not result in any physical modification to the environment. No construction of new facilities or equipment will be required as a result of the formation of the district. The formation of the district is an administrative re-organization in which the proposed district will assume the responsibilities and equipment of the existing Tecopa-Shoshone Volunteer Fire Department.

The only resulting impact will be BENEFICIAL under "Public Services" category. With the formation of a formalized fire protection organization it is anticipated that the district will be eligible for surplus fire fighting equipment, grants and loans. This will upgrade the fire fighting capability of the district.

B. **THE PROJECT HAS THE POTENTIAL FOR LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACTS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

None.

C. **THE PROJECT HAS THE POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT WHICH WILL EITHER BE FULLY MITIGATED OR MITIGATED TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT LEVELS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

None.

D. **THE PROJECT HAS THE POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

None.

IV. **DEPARTMENT/AGENCIES TO BE SENT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:**

Bureau of Land Management (Barstow)
Death Valley National Monument
Inyo County Coordinator of Emergency Services
Inyo County Fire Marshall
Inyo County Department of Building and Safety
Eric Inman, Chief Petitioner

V. **PERSONS AND AGENCIES CONSULTED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS INITIAL STUDY:**

Eric E. Inman, Chief Petitioner

VI. **DETERMINATION:**

On the basis of this Initial Study:

✓ I find the proposed project **COULD NOT** have a significant effect on the environment and a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION WILL BE PREPARED.**

___ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described on the attached sheet have been added to the project. **A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WILL BE PREPARE.**

___ I find the proposed project **MAY** have a significant effect on the environment and an **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IS REQUIRED..**

7/29/92
DATE

Roger De Hart
Roger De Hart
LAFCO Executive Officer

93 3513

INYO COUNTY LAFCO

DRAWER L · INDEPENDENCE · CALIFORNIA 93526
(619) 878-2411 (EXT 2263)

RECORDED
OFFICIAL
93 AUG 18 PM 2:59
INYO COUNTY, CA.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, this Certificate is issued by the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Inyo County, California

1. The short-term designation, as determined by LAFCO, is Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

2. The name of the district involved in this change of organization and the kind or type of change of organization ordered for the district is as follows:

District	Type of Change of Organization
Southern Inyo Fire Protection District	Formation of Fire Protection District

3. The above listed district is located within the County of Inyo.

4. A description of the boundaries of the above cited change of organization or reorganization is shown on the attached map and legal description, marked Exhibit A and by this reference incorporated herein.

5. The territory is inhabited.

6. This change or organization/reorganization has been approved subject to the following terms and conditions, if any: None.

7. The resolution ordering this change of organization/reorganization without election, or confirming an order for this change after confirmation by the voters, was adopted on August 10, 1993 by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors.

I hereby certify that I have examined the resolution cited above, including any terms and conditions, and the map and legal description and have found these documents to be in compliance with LAFCO Resolution No. 92-3, adopted on September 1, 1992.

Dated: August 13, 1993

Peter Chamberlin
Executive Officer
Local Agency Formation
Commission of Inyo County

BRAITMAN
& ASSOCIATES

CERTIFIED MAIL

October 10, 2006

TO: General Managers of the

Big Pine Fire Protection District
Bishop Rural Fire Protection District
Independence Fire Protection District
Lone Pine Fire Protection District
Olancha Community Services District
Southern Inyo Fire Protection District

SUBJECT: **Review Draft – Municipal Service Review /Sphere of Influence Update**
Review Draft –Directory of Local Agencies

Enclosed for review portions of the report on Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs) and Sphere of Influence Updates for local agencies in Inyo County. These are still in draft form.

Please review this information for accuracy and completeness. LAFCO has scheduled 60 days – until Friday, December 15 - for local agencies to review the report but I hope to hear from you before then if you see the need for any changes.

The Commission will hold two public hearings to consider MSRs and Update Spheres as follows:

Friday, January 26, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.
Bishop City Council Chambers
301 West Line Street
Bishop, CA 93514

Friday, February 9, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.
Boulder Creek RV Park Meeting Room
2250 Highway 395
Lone Pine, CA 93545

The Commission seeks public input at both hearings and plans to adopt the MSRs and update the Spheres of Influence at the February 9, 2006 meeting.

8277 CHESHIRE STREET • VENTURA CA 93004 • (805) 647-7612 • FAX (805) 647-7647 • braitman1@everdream.com

Also enclosed for your review is a data page and map that will become part of the first ever "Directory of Local Agencies in Inyo County" that is being prepared by the Inyo LAFCO.

Please review the enclosed information for accuracy and completeness and provide me with any changes or corrections so we can make adjustments before presenting the final versions to the Commission. If we don't hear from you in 60 days – by December 15 – we will assume the information for your agency is correct and acceptable to you.

Provide send any changes or corrections to:

Bob Braitman
8277 Cheshire Street
Ventura CA 93004

(805) 647-7612
(805) 647-7647 fax
braitman2@everdream.com

The completed Directory will be distributed to County Supervisors, local agencies, County Departments and public libraries. It is planned to place the Directory on the Inyo LAFCO website and update it annually. Copies will be available for purchase by the public.

Thank you for your cooperation. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Bob Braitman

BOB BRAITMAN
Consultant to Inyo LAFCO

cc: Ron Juliff, Inyo LAFCO

AGENCY REVIEW DRAFT

SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW AND SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE

Report to the
Inyo Local Agency Formation Commission

October 2006

1. MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW

Description of District

The Southern Inyo Fire Protection District was formed in 1993 and operates pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (Health & Safety Code, Section 13800 et seq.).

The District is located in southeast Inyo County, including seven small communities including Tecopa and surrounding areas. The District boundaries and sphere of influence are coterminous.

The District is governed by a five member board of directors, elected at-large. The Fire Chief is responsible for administration. It is staffed by 12 volunteer fire fighters.

District Services

The District provides fire suppression, hazardous materials and emergency medical and basic life support services.

Other Governmental Agencies within the District

The District overlaps the Southern Inyo Hospital District, Inyo-Mono Resource Conservation District and the Tecopa Cemetery District.

2. MSR DETERMINATIONS

This report addresses the MSR factors specified in LAFCO's governing statute.

Infrastructure Needs and Deficiencies

The District provides fire suppression services from one fire station in Tecopa. The District does not have an adopted capital improvement plan.

It appears the District can accommodate service demands from its facilities, with mutual and automatic aid agreements in place with neighboring fire service agencies covering Amargosa valley and Pahrump , Nevada, and the Bureau of Land Management.

Growth and Population Projections

The District provides services as population growth occurs. The District is planning for possible major growth in Charleston View; a development project in that location may increase the District population by more than 600% within ten years.

Financing Constraints and Opportunities

The District is financed largely by Federal and State grants, assessments and income from ambulance service calls.

Current revenue sources may avoid long-term, unfunded District obligations, though the anticipated population growth in Charleston View will tax revenues and may allow the District to increase its services to that community.

Cost-Avoidance Opportunities

The District participates in mutual aid and response agreements with other emergency response agencies. Being a volunteer fire protection agency minimizes service expenses.

Opportunities for Rate Restructuring

There are no obvious opportunities for rate restructuring in the operations of the District.

Opportunities for Shared Facilities

There are no obvious opportunities shared facilities due to the location of Tecopa in relationship to other communities and fire protection agencies.

Government Structure Options

There are no obvious government structure options.

Another option might be the formation of an Inyo County Joint Powers Fire Authority that would combine and coordinate all of the local fire protection services in the County, though Tecopa is distant from the other fire service agencies.

Management Efficiencies

The District, given its limited resources, exhibits the characteristics of a volunteer-based fire protection district efficiently serving its residents and customers.

Local Accountability and Governance

The District Board of Directors is elected by and accountable to the voters who reside in the District. Board agendas are posted for public review in Tecopa, Tecopa Hot Springs and Shoshone.

3. SPHERE OF INFLUENCE REVIEW AND UPDATE

Description of Current Sphere of Influence

The District's boundaries and sphere of influence are coterminous.

No Proposed Sphere Changes

There are no known sphere change proposals at this time.

Sphere of Influence Determinations

Inasmuch as no changes in the sphere of influence are proposed at this time it is not necessary for the Commission to adopt or approve sphere of influence determinations.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & REFERENCES

The Inyo LAFCO staff prepared this Municipal Service Review. Responsibility for any errors or omissions rests with those who prepared the report.

The Lone Pine Fire Protection District provided the basic information and documents upon which the evaluation is based. The District staff, notably Fire Chief Paul Postle, was instrumental in providing data.

Mapping services were provided by the County of Inyo.

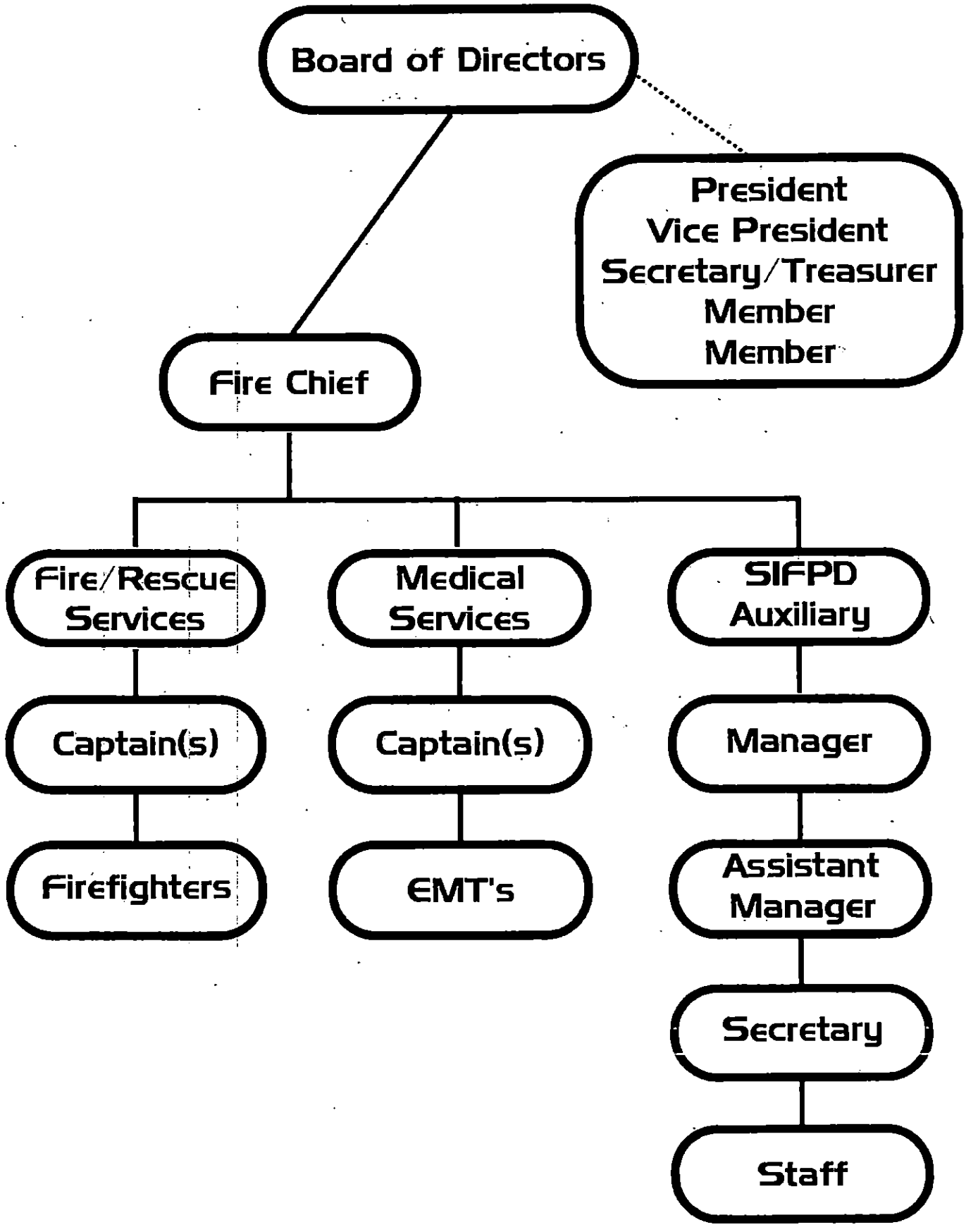
Available Documentation

The "Request for Information for Municipal Service Reviews" submitted by the District and supporting documents referred to therein are available in the LAFCO office.

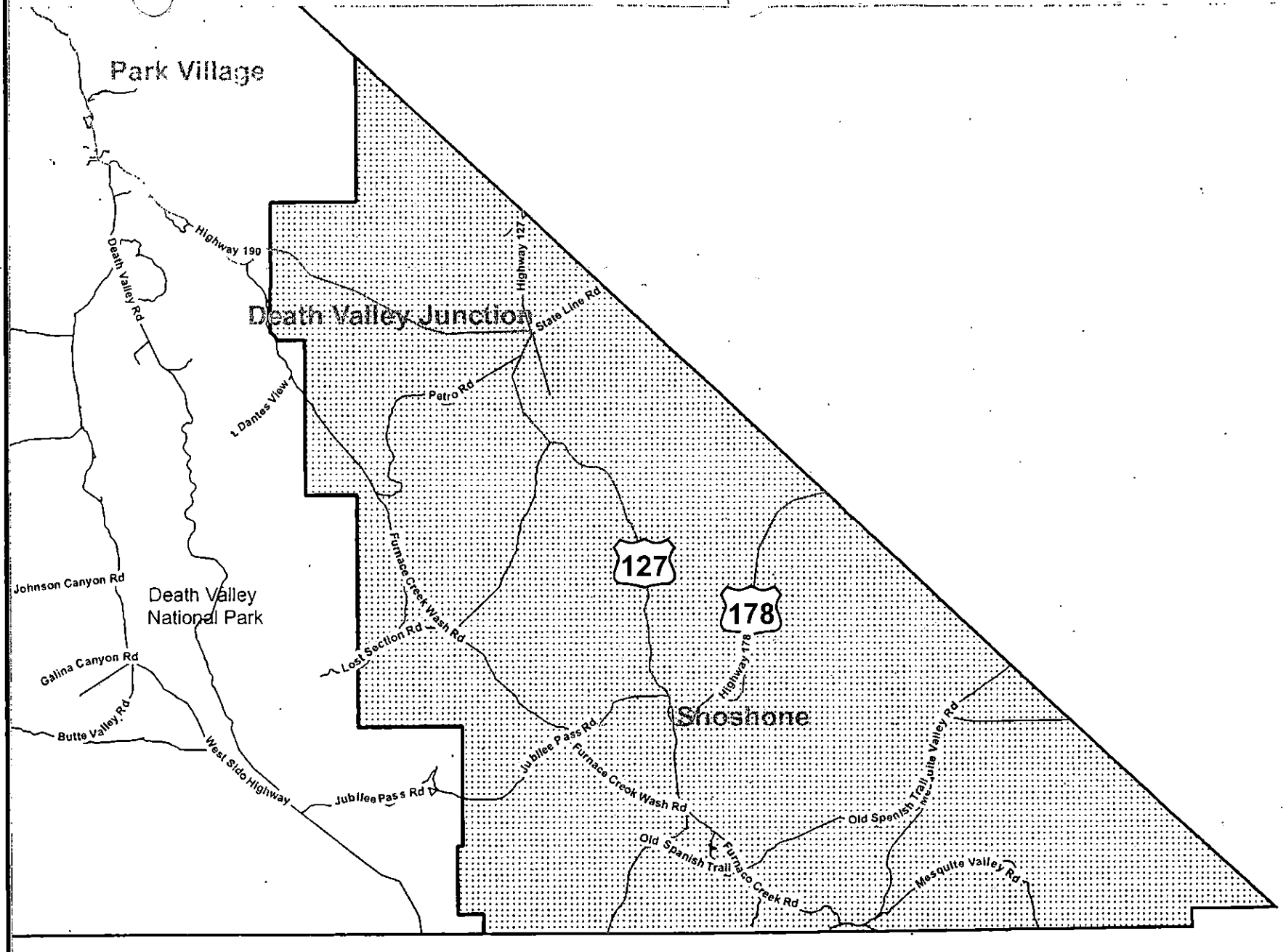
5. RECOMMENDATIONS

In consideration of information gathered and evaluated during the Municipal Service Review it is recommended the Commission affirm the current Sphere of Influence and that it not be expanded or revised at this time.

Southern Inyo Fire Protection District
Organizational Chart



SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
SPHERE OF I[illegible]UENCE



N
W E
S
Miles
0 2 4 8 12

Inyo County Plannning Department
PO Drawer L
168 N. Edwards Street
Independence, CA 93526
(760) 878-0263
Inyoplanning@qnet.com
www.inyoplanning.org

Legend

DISTRICT

SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

BRAITMAN
& ASSOCIATES

October 12, 2006

Chief Paul Postle
Southern Inyo FPD
PO Box 51
Tecopa CA 92389

Dear Chief:

After we distributed the Agency Review Draft MSR and Sphere of Influence Update report we noticed a typo on page Z-3. Under "Acknowledgements & References" we incorrectly typed Lone Pine Fire Protection District when we meant to say Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

A corrected page is enclosed.

Sincerely,

BOB BRAITMAN

cc: Courtney Smith, Inyo LAFCO

8277 CHESHIRE STREET • VENTURA CA 93004 • (805) 647-7612 • FAX (805) 647-7647 • braitman1@everdream.com

Southern Inyo Fire Protection District - Fiscal Year 2005- 2006 Approved Budget

Code	Description	Proposed Budget Assured Funds	Potential Grant Income	Approved Budget FY 05-06	EMS Grant	DOE Grant	FEMA	BLM	HMEP			Balance
4301	Interest Income	$350.00		$350.00								$350.00
4488	State Grants	$0.00	$50,000.00	$58,000.08		$50,000.00			$36,000.00			$86,000.00
4555	Federal Grants	$0.00	$94,921.00	$94,821.00			$81,421.08					$81,421.00
4598	Other Grants	$0.00	$4,500.08	$4,580.00	$4,580.08							$4,500.00
4611	Assessments	$75,000.00		$75,000.00								$75,000.00
4616	Ambulance & Fire Fees	$20,000.00		$20,000.00								$20,000.00
4651	Donations	$100.00		$100.00								$100.00
	Income Total	$85,450.00	$149,421.00	$244,871.00	$4,500.00	$58,000.80	$81,421.00	$0.00	$36,000.00	$0.08	$0.00	$287,371.80
5001	Salaried Employees	$27,200.00		$27,200.80					$6,080.00			$33,200.00
5021	Retirement & Social Security	$1,900.00		$1,880.00								$1,800.80
5112	Personal & Safety Equipment	$800.00	$35,085.00	$35,885.00		$20,885.00	$11,200.00					$32,885.00
5152	Workers Compensation	$6,000.00		$5,000.08								$6,000.00
5154	Unemployment Insurance	$500.00		$0.00								$500.00
5155	Public Liability Insurance	$0.00		$8.00								$0.00
5158	Insurance Premiums	$8,200.00		$8,200.00								$8,200.00
5171	Maintenance of Equipment - Parts & Labor	$8,350.00		$8,350.00								$8,350.00
5173	Maintenance of Equipment - Parts	$2,000.80		$2,080.00								$2,000.00
5199	Maintenance of Structures - Materials	$500.00		$588.08								$500.00
5201	Medical, Dental & Lab Supplies	$0.00		$8.00								$0.00
5232	Office & Other Equipment < $5,000	$500.00		$500.00		$5,515.00						$8,115.00
5283	Advertising	$500.00		$500.00								$500.80
8285	Professional & Special Services	$11,000.00	$57,696.00	$68,896.00	$3,850.00	$18,000.00	$37,396.00		$30,000.00			$101,346.00
5301	Small Tools & Instruments	$1,500.00	$12,000.00	$13,500.00								$1,500.00
5311	General Operating Expenses	$15,250.00	$550.00	$15,800.08	$558.00							$15,800.00
5331	Travel Expense	$3,000.00	$12,175.00	$15,175.00			$3,110.00					$8,110.00
5351	Utilities	$1,700.00		$1,700.80								$1,700.00
5601	Land	$500.00		$500.00								$508.00
5813	Building	$0.00	$3,500.00	$3,500.00		$4,500.00						$4,500.00

5645	Site improvements *	$250.00		$250.00								$250.00
5668	Heavy Equipment	$0.00	$34,000.00	$34,000.00			$34,008.00					$34,000.00
5668	Office Equipment > $5000	$0.00		$0.00								$0.00
5670	Other Equipment > $5,000	$0.00		$0.00								$0.00
5674	Vehicles	$0.00		$0.00								$0.00
5801	Contingencies	$0.00		$8.00								$0.00
	Expense Total	$89,650.00	$105,208.00	$244,856.00	$4,500.00	$50,000.00	$85,708.00	$0.00	$36,000.00			$266,858.00
	Balance/ Reserve	$5,000.00	($5,785.00)	$15.00	$0.00	$0.00	($4,285.00)	$0.00	$0.00			$1,515.00

Southern Inyo Fire Protection District - Fiscal Year 2006- 2007 Approved Budget

Code	Description	Proposed Budget Assured Funds	Potential Grant Income	Approved Budget FY 06-07	EMS Grant	DOE Grant	FEMA	BLM	HMEP			Balance
4301	Interest Income	$700.00	$0.00	$700.00								$700.00
4488	State Grants	$0.00	$8,565.46	$8,565.46					$8,565.46			$8,565.46
4555	Federal Grants	$0.00	$57,535.00	$57,535.00			$50,735.00	$6,800.00				$57,535.00
4598	Other Grants	$0.00	$7,930.00	$7,930.90	$7,939.00							$7,930.90
4811	Assessments	$78,000.00	$0.00	$75,900.00								$75,000.00
4818	Ambulance & Fire Fees	$24,000.00	$0.00	$24,000.90								$24,000.00
4951	Donations	$100.00	$0.00	$100.00								$100.00
	Income Total	$99,800.00	$74,030.46	$173,830.46	$7,930.00	$9.00	$50,735.90	$6,900.00	$8,565.46	$0.09	$0.00	$173,930.46
5001	Salaried Employees	$35,400.00	$11,589.09	$46,989.09			$11,075.00		$513.09			$49,989.09
5021	Retirement & Social Security	$2,450.00	$0.00	$2,450.00								$2,450.00
5112	Personel & Safety Equipment	$1,000.00	$18,000.00	$19,900.00			$11,200.00	$6,800.00				$19,000.00
5152	Workers Compensation	$7,000.00	$0.00	$7,000.00								$7,000.00
5154	Unemployment Insurance	$600.00	$0.90	$600.00								$609.09
5155	Public Liability Insurance	$0.00	$0.00	$0.09								$0.09
5158	Insurance Premiums	$8,500.00	$0.00	$8,500.00								$9,600.00
5171	Maintenance of Equipment - Parts & Labor	$5,000.00	$0.00	$5,000.00								$5,009.09
5173	Maintenence of Equipment - Parts	$3,500.00	$0.00	$3,500.00								$3,500.09
5199	Maintenance of Structures - Materials	$500.00	$0.00	$500.00								$500.00
5201	Medical, Dental & Lab Supplies	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
5232	Office & Other Equipment < $5,000	$200.00	$0.00	$200.00								$200.00
5293	Advertising	$500.00	$0.00	$500.00								$500.00
6285	Professional & Special Services	$11,800.00	$19,862.37	$31,662.37	$7,610.00		$4,200.00		$9,052.37			$31,862.37
6301	Small Tools & Instruments	$300.00	$0.00	$300.00								$300.00
5311	General Operating Expenses	$15,250.00	$320.00	$15,570.00	$320.00							$15,570.00
5331	Travel Expense	$1,000.00	$24,259.00	$25,259.00			$24,259.00					$25,259.00
5351	Utilities	$2,200.00	$0.00	$2,200.00								$2,200.00
5601	Land	$100.00	$0.00	$100.00								$100.00
5613	Building	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.09								$1,000.00

5645	Site Improvements	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
5668	Heavy Equipment	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
5669	Office Equipment > $5000	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
5670	Other Equipment > $5,000	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
5674	Vehicles	$3,500.00	$0.00	$3,500.00								$3,500.00
5901	Contingencies	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00								$0.00
	Expense Total	$99,800.00	$74,030.48	$173,830.48	$7,939.09	$0.00	$50,735.00	$6,800.00	$8,585.48			$173,830.48
	Balance/ Reserve	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00			$0.00